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- 56. A method of treating cardiac hypertrophy in a patient wherein the cardiac hypertrophy has been induced by a cardiac disease other than hypertrophic cardiomyopathy of viral origin. characterized by the presence of an elevated level of $PGF_{2\alpha}$ comprising administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of interferon gamma (IFN- γ).
 - 57. The method of claim 56 wherein the cardiac disease is myocardial infarction.
- 58. A method of treating cardiac hypertrophy in a patient wherein the cardiac hypertrophy has been induced by myocardial infarction and is characterized by the presence of an elevated level of $PGF_{2\alpha}$ comprising administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of interferon gamma (IFN- γ).
- 59. The method of claim 58 wherein said IFN-γ is initiated within 48 hours following myocardial infarction.--

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